

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MIDDLETOWN CONNECTICUT FEBRUARY 3, 2015

#### **Regular Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Monday, February 2, 2015 postponed to Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 7 p.m.

#### Present:

Mayor Daniel T. Drew, Corporation Counsel Daniel B. Ryan, Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska

#### Absent:

Councilman David Bauer.

#### **Also Present:**

Thirty Members of the public.

#### 1. Mayor calls meeting to order at 7 p.m.

#### A. (Pledge of Allegiance)

The Chair welcomes everyone to the meeting that was rescheduled from last night to February 3 due to the snowstorm at 7 p.m. He thanks everyone for their patience in dealing with all the touch weather we have had and he would like to thank all the members of Public Works, Water and Sewer, Parks and all the Public Safety agencies that have done a fabulous job on behalf of the community. In the last two weeks, he was informed by the Public Works Director, we have received 37 inches of snow; they have done a really wonderful job.

### B. (Council Clerk Reads the Call of the Meeting and Mayor declares call a legal call and meeting a legal meeting.)

The Chair declares the call a legal call and the meeting a legal meeting.

#### 2. Accept/Amend the Agenda.

Councilman Serra moves to waive the rules to move item 2, accepting and amending the agenda to this time; Councilman Streeto seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous with eleven ayes. Councilman Serra moves to amend the agenda by substituting agenda items 11A, 11E and Item 12, Mayor's Appointments. He moves 8A to item 3C and removes 11J from the agenda with the intent to having it vetted by the Technology Advisory Committee; remove item 11N from the agenda with the intent it be vetted by the CAC; move public comment to be agenda item 1C and reassign 1C to 1D. Councilwoman Kasper seconds the motion. The Chair asks to clarify that 8A is moving to 3C. Councilman Serra responds yes. Councilwoman Kleckowski asks that he repeat after J; it is going to. . . Councilman Serra responds to the IT Committee. Councilwoman Kleckowski asks what was after that. Councilman Serra replies 11N is going to CAC. The Chair calls for the vote; it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Bauer is absent from the meeting. The Chair states the matter passes with eleven affirmative votes.

#### 5. Public Hearing on Agenda Items Opens.

The Chair opens public comment at 7:04 p.m. He asks those members wishing to speak to come forward and give their name and address for the record. He states there is a five minute limit.

Larry McHugh speaks on an important project under old business, resolution 6-15. He has been involved with chamber the last 32 years and we have seen many things happen in

Middletown. This is one of those signature projects that will make a difference in the community. Our downtown is vibrant and alive and that is because we have worked with councils and past mayors to make Middletown the community that it is. People living downtown is important to our businesses. This will bring in young professionals that work in other towns that want to come here to enjoy our restaurants. This is a home run project. We need housing in the downtown and that is one part of the mix that is missing. It is important that we move forward with this. I have had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Hajjar. We are fortunate to have this developer form Massachusetts. He owns Citizen Bank, the Middlesex tower and we can be proud of this project. We need this to go forward. We can support up to 400 units according to the study. He has the garage and the property and two signature buildings that will not be impacted. Some people have brought up the Ferry Street project. We didn't get involved with it because we weren't in housing. We are in this one and we should have been involved in the Ferry Street project.

Jon Hall states he is a resident of Portland and here as executive director of the Jonah Center for Earth and Art. He speaks to the appropriation for the multiuse trial. The complete streets program is in line with this project. People are walking more for health reasons. It makes a community more livable. This project began with a grant awarded to the City and it was for four years and it was scaled back to 2 years and it was a \$400,000 grant and the City had to match it with 20% and part was going to be funded with a road bond and CDBG and the State has informed the City they can't use those funds for the engineering portion of the project. He supports this request and if done now, we can have construction in 2016.

Beth Emery points out it is part of the plan of development, the support of the bike path. She supports the appropriation request and it does fit into the Plan of Development and what they have adopted into it and it is an investment in Middletown's future. People look at riding bikes short distances.

Chuck Hajjar, Milton Mass speaks about the project at College and Broad Streets. They are not strangers to Middletown. They are long term investors. He made his first investment in Jamaica Plain in Boston. They try to get the right tenants. They are trying to attract empty nesters, professors, nurses. The majority are one bedroom, studios and some two bedrooms. A lot of units are being built for people who want to be downtown and not in the suburbs. We will build a first class building and something we will be proud of. They want to work hand in hand with Middletown.

Lynn Riley and Brenda Riley from Tuscany Grill and they are supporting 16-15. They are celebrating 20 years as restaurant owners. They are for the development and the positive aspects they will bring to the City. It is the same demographic they target at the restaurant. Jennifer Alexander as resident of downtown, she is excited about the housing development. It has the chance to be the turning point for downtown like the police station for the commercial district. We have been struggling in the downtown business district trying to figure out developing the upper floors downtown. It is a building to attract people to move downtown. This will attract the people who like liveliness. The elders in this community that have been active in the civic realm and we have lost some because they didn't have places to move downtown. The hospital and Wesleyan and employers and if they move there and stay here they will make Middletown a livelier place.

Peter Harding states in 1990 they renovated Riverview Center and 2008 built Liberty Commons and two years ago they renovated South Main Street building. It is occupied and it is occupied because of what you have been doing for downtown. The project on the table for 89 units has been discussed for 15 years. It is the need that has not been met yet. I don't know of anyone in front of me that would have any reason not to promote this project. He encourages you to authorize the mayor to get it going. If there is a deterrent here, you will have a major problem. If you don't do this, a lot of people will turn their backs on Middletown. This project is a necessity. Marc Levin states as owner of a store this is what we have been asking for since I have been involved in the store in 1982. These would be the perfect customers to have. He encourages everyone to vote for this. This is a home run.

Jerry Fennity, ID systems we have been a tenant of the City since 2000 and they requested to renovate additional space for our company. We have landed a large contract and the expansion is important to us. He encourages support of this and thanks the City for what they have done for them. Since moving to Remington Rand, he has been impressed with what the City has done. His guests always have a positive reaction to what is happening in Middletown.

Mario from Forbidden City Bistro. This is the first time I am here. He states they have been here for 9 years and have seen a lot of change for Middletown. He speaks for the new apartments for downtown Middletown. It will bring new people downtown and new groups downtown. They will live and spend money in Middletown. As business owners, we have been looking for it for a long time. I hope you approve the development of the apartments and hopes it happens as it is good for us all.

Chu has lived in Middletown for 11 years and they just opened a restaurant and for the past two years she has learned a lot about Main Street. Everyone has helped her translate and

she is in support for the development. This will only help us. As a new business owner we need something like this. She urges the Council top think about the future and other development and to make Middletown more vibrant. She hopes you keep your minds open about this project.

#### 6. Public Hearing on Agenda Items Closes.

The Chair, hearing no further comment closes the public hearing at 7:26 p.m.

#### **Motion to Waive the Rules**

Councilman Serra moves to waive the rules to move agenda item 8B for action right now. Councilwoman Kasper seconds the motion. The Chair calls for the vote and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. The Chair recognizes Councilman Daley.

B. Resolution 6-15: Approving authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement for the Development at the corner of Broad Street and College Street by Hajjar Management Co. to include 7-year tax abatement pursuant to Section 272-9(F) and to cap building permit fees excluding State building fees at \$142,600 pursuant to Section 272-9 (H).

Resolution No. 13-15
File Name PCD\_Hajjar\_EconomicDevelopmentasamended (Amended and Approved)

Whereas, Encouraging downtown residential market rate development has been a long-standing policy goal of the City; and

**Whereas**, the 1993 Downtown Visions Plan had a simple goal to attract more people and investment to downtown, especially a critical mass of market rate to upper income targeted units; and

Whereas, Hajjar Management Co., Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Developer") proposes to develop a mixed-use development with 89 units of market rate apartments and 15,000 square feet of first floor retail space at the corner of Broad Street and College Street (hereinafter referred to as the "Project"); and.

**Whereas**, the Developer will secure and invest approximately \$20 million in construction financing for the Project;

**Whereas**, 213 Court Street, 138 College Street and 181 Court Street are assessed currently at \$11,819,560 (hereinafter referred to as the "Base Assessment") and the Project will add approximately \$8.4 million in assessed value to the grand list; and,

**Whereas**, at the December 3, 2014 meeting of the Economic Development Committee (EDC), the Committee voted to recommend a 7 year fixing of the assessment and capping the building permit fee at \$142,600.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: the Mayor shall be authorized to execute an agreement for the Project to fix of the assessment for a period of 7-years pursuant to Section 272-9(F) of the Middletown Code of Ordinances and authorized by C.G.S. 12-65b according to the following table:

Year 1- 2% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment;

Year 2- 5% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment;

Year 3- 5% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment;

Year 4- 10% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment;

Year 5- 15% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment;

Year 6- 20% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment; Year 7- 20% of assessed increase above the Base Assessment;

; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** That an executed agreement shall commence after issuance of a final Certificate of Occupancy and shall be contingent upon the obligations contained within such agreement including the a description of the Project; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** That the Mayor shall be authorized to cap the building permit fee at \$142,600 for real property improvements located at 213 Court Street, 138 College Street and 181 Court Street pursuant to Section 272-9(H) of the Middletown Code of Ordinances; AND

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** Hajjar will provide to the city at the cost of \$20 per space, 175 spaces for 18 months or until completion of the new parking garage; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the project be presented to both the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Middletown Preservation and Design Review Board for approvals; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City's standard non-assignment clause provide that the approvals and benefits that we are conferring tonight shall inure to Hajjar Management Company and/or the current property owner, not to any successors or assigns thereof without approval of the Common

Council nor shall such benefits inure to either entity without approval of the Common Council if their respective majority ownership or principles or management personnel change from the current structure.

**FISCAL IMPACT**: A detailed cost benefit analysis is provided in a separate report for the Council. In summary, this project will add over \$12 million in new taxable value to the grand list.

The costs are a combination of actual costs and opportunity costs. The actual costs to the City Budget are \$18,407. This amount is based on the lower taxes collected compared to the approximate taxes that are collected for the area of land to be developed.

The opportunity costs include the fixing of the assessment and waived building permit fees. These costs exist only as part of an incentive to attract a new development to Downtown Middletown and have a \$12 million construction project.

The direct benefits in revenue to the City of Middletown are detailed in the report provided. In summary:

- The City collects \$18,407 in taxes without this development. In year 1, the City collects \$149,656 in taxes and building permit fees.
- When the fixed assessment has expired, the City will collect approximately \$352,800 in property taxes, based on current values and tax rate.
- The City will recoup its investment in year 1, and has positive cash flow in year 1.

The indirect benefits include increased taxable personal property, increased automobile taxes, and 89 new households visiting restaurants and businesses downtown.

Councilman Gerald E. Daley reads and moves for approval Approving authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement for the Development at the corner of Broad Street and College Street by Hajjar Management Co. to include 7-year tax abatement pursuant to Section 272-9(F) and to cap building permit fees excluding State building fees at \$142,600 pursuant to Section 272-9 (H). Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion.

Councilman Daley has been involved with a lot of projects f projects that adds to the richness of our community. He is proud of what they have done to support business and housing in Middletown. The commitment the City has shown towards creating an environment that is welcoming to investors. We have been partners to provide tax abatements and that is the reality of what we have to do. That has been our success. This project stands alone as a shining star as to what we have been able to attract to Middletown. It is not often we see a 22 million dollar investment to the down town bringing quality housing. I am one of the few who remembers the late 50's and early 60's where Main Street Friday nights the sidewalks were packed and the business owners knew a lot of the people because they lived nearby. This development presents the prospect to reach that level of vitality again. I am excited about what this can do for the downtown and Jennifer will review this as part of the redevelopment agency and there are properties that are underutilized. There are second floors to many properties and this project will spur investment in those properties as well. We have come to a good accommodation with Hajjar with providing public parking spaces in their parking garage during the period of construction of our arcade and frankly we needed a solution to that problem. This project will present a solution to that problem. He urges the council to fully endorse this project. It will be a lasting legacy.

#### **Motion to Amend**

Councilwoman Bartolotta states she would like to amend 8B to add that Hajjar will provide to the city, at the cost of \$20, for 175 parking spaces for 18 months or until completion of the new parking garage. Councilman Serra seconds the motion. There is no discussion. The vote is called on the amendment and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Bauer is absent from the meeting. The Chair states the matter passes with eleven affirmative votes.

#### **Motion to Amend**

Councilman Giuliano states we have waited a long time and good to see it coming to fruition. Any downtown to remain vital has to have a healthy middle class component. Without that, the downtown becomes competing interests for the dollars. We have been lucky over the years that we have not pushed residential usage out of the downtown. I feel it is important that the developers whose reputation we rely on, remain with the project. He offers an amendment that actually covers two things. This was supposed to go to the Planning and Zoning commission and Design review and they got snowed out like everyone else did. First part of his amendment is the condition that it be presented to those two bodies for approval. The second part is that our standard non assignment clause be beefed up a little bit and it provide that the approvals and benefits that we are conferring tonight shall inure to Hajjar Management Company and/or the current property owner not to any successors or assigns thereof nor shall such benefits inure to either entity if their respective majority ownership or principles or management personnel change from the current structure. Councilwoman Kleckowski seconds the motion to amend. He states should something change, we get to see and approve the new developers. The vote is called and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Bauer is absent. The Chair states the matter passes unanimously with eleven affirmative votes.

Councilman Serra states he endorses what everyone has said. We need this. My perspective is I want to say thank you to Hajjar for the small request and the good faith you have shown to Middletown. This is important and you are showing you want to work with us for the parking and the amendment and that is important to me. The project before this was not beneficial for Middletown. With you here and the project proposed, he will endorse it 100% and as you said it is high end and endorses Councilman Giuliano's idea as well. Councilman Serra states everyone is looking toward this body for guidance. Hopefully this body supports this to show the other bodies that we want this to go forward. Chair states he will make additional appointments to the Redevelopment Agency.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes by no one and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent. The Chair thanks and congratulates the Council. This is a game changer for the City of Middletown.

#### 1C. Macdonough School Video - Channel Tree News

The Chair asks the Clerk to play the Macdonough School video, Channel Tree News. After the video plays, the Chair calls on Councilwoman Kasper to explain why they were showing the video and its importance. Councilwoman Kasper found out that they are one of the top ten nationally chosen videos to win a \$10,000 environment grant for their school. You can vote on the website they mentioned and you can vote every day and I think the School, Principal and students involved did a wonderful job and I encourage everyone to vote daily for Macdonough School. I have been doing just that for the last two or three weeks.

#### **Motion to Amend Agenda**

Councilman Serra moves to waive the rules to move agenda item 8A to the present time. His motion is seconded by Councilwoman Kasper. There is no discussion. The Chair calls for the vote and it is unanimous with eleven aye votes. The Chair states the matter passes with eleven affirmative votes. The Chair recognizes Councilman Daley for agenda item 8A, under Old Business.

#### 8. Old Business

#### A. Honoring Gerald E. Daley.

**Resolution No. 14-15** 

File Name ccgedaleyretirementfromthestate

(Approved)

**WHEREAS,** Gerald E. Daley is retiring from State Service after over twenty years with the Department of Developmental Services; and

**WHEREAS,** he was hired as Personnel Officer 2 in one of the regions of DDS and rose through the Human Resources ranks to achieve the highest Human Resources level at a State agency, Human Resources Administrator 3; and

**WHEREAS,** as the Human Resources Administrator 3 for the Department of Development Services, the second largest State agency, he was responsible for human resources and payroll functions for over 4,000 employees; and

WHEREAS, Gerry graduated from Fairfield University with a Bachelor of Science degree; he began working in Human Resources for the Town of West Hartford as a Personnel Analyst in 1979, after serving as the Administrative Assistant to Mayor Anthony S. Marino in Middletown; he was Vice President of Human Resources for Contel IPC, Inc., a division of GTE Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Gerry brought his management skills to City Government, beginning in 1975 until the present, where he sits on the Common Council as well as sitting on many commissions and committees; he brought his management skills to many committees conducting essential studies for the City. He chaired the first committee to study the structure of Middletown Government in 1981; he chaired of the Parking Study Committee and the Riverfront Development Committee where his administrative skills were used to complete these two necessary studies that will help Middletown in its economic growth; and

**WHEREAS,** Gerry is highly respected for the work he has done with the State especially as the Human Resource Administrator for the Department of Developmental Services, where his commitment and integrity led to a well-run human resources division.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That we congratulate Gerald E. Daley upon his retirement from the State of Connecticut; he has been an asset to the Department of Developmental Services and will be missed by many people; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That we wish Gerald E. Daley health and happiness in his retirement from the State; we look forward to his continued involvement in City government where his commitment and integrity will help Middletown continue to develop as a destination spot in Connecticut.

Councilman Serra states he was asked not to read the entire resolution, but reads the highlights regarding the retirement of Councilman Daley from State service after 20 years. He reads the last paragraph congratulating Councilman Daley on his retirement. We adopted this on January 8 and we will adopt it again February 2. Councilman Daley thanks Tom; he was fortunate to work for the Department of Developmental Services. They do great work and it is very challenging and rewarding work. They have 4,000 employees and he was fortunate to have a talented staff that were well trained to help him at that work. He is appreciative of the time he had there. His interest in resources was when he worked as the administrative aide for Mayor Marino where they didn't have a personnel director and he had to get involved. One of the best jobs he could ever have. Councilman Serra and I go back when our political careers started in 1975. This was special involvement and I appreciate the recognition. The Chair states, without objection, the resolution is approved by acclamation.

#### 3. Presentations

#### A. Honoring the Xavier Football Team

Resolution No. 15-15
File Name ccxavierresoltuion2014forfeb2015
(Postponed to March 2, 2015)

The Chair recognizes Councilman Daley for resolution 3A. Councilman Daley states it is a resolution for the Xavier Football team; we had planned to do this last night and because of the postponement of the meeting, they could not be here. He moves to postpone to a date certain for the March 2 Council meeting. Councilman Serra seconds the motion. The vote is called and it is unanimous with eleven aye votes. The Chair states the matter passes unanimously with eleven aye votes. Councilman Bauer is absent from the meeting.

#### B. Honoring Black History Month

Resolution No. 16-15
File Name ccblackhistorymonth2
(Approved)

**WHEREAS**, every President since 1976 has issued a proclamation declaring February as Black History Month in the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1915 Dr. Carter G. Woodson established the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, now known as ASALH, from which the Black History Month observance was created and remains vital to educating the American people about African-American history, culture, accomplishments and contributions to the American success story; and

**WHEREAS,** according to statistics released in 2010 by the U.S. Census Bureau, African Americans comprise 12.8% of the Middletown population and

**WHEREAS,** ASALH has chosen "A Century of Black Life, History and Culture" as the national theme for 2015 in honor of its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and

**WHEREAS,** on Veterans Day 2014 the Amistad Committee Inc. of New Haven hosted a viewing and discussion of the video entitled "VETERANS OF COLOR courage, adversity and triumph" which ties into the theme for Black History Month; and

**WHEREAS**, this discussion focused on the history of veterans of color and raised awareness of the plight of those veterans today and the need to have further discussions not only of black history and culture but specifically ways to help our veterans of color; and

**WHEREAS,** Middletown's American Legion Harry Ruffin, Jr. Post 206 is uniquely positioned to assist local and statewide efforts to perform outreach and advocacy for veterans of color regarding services available to them and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That we recognize February as Black History Month and further acknowledge the unique and challenging history, service and sacrifice of our Veterans of Color, especially during World War II, Korea and Vietnam when the domestic struggle at home was Civil Rights; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That we encourage and thank our local veterans' organizations for continuing to remind us all of the collective cost of our Freedom today and in future generations.

Councilman Faulkner reads the resolution into the record. He thanks his colleagues for supporting this resolution. I also want to thank the Amistad Committee in New Haven. When I went to see this presentation of the Veterans' of Color, it moved me and as I looked for subjects and topic for black history month, he came back to this. He lost two uncles that served and prior to that he had two uncles who passed away from war related illnesses. He

saw the struggle of those families. I thought about our city and the active veterans community and he thought he should shine light on them in Middletown. We have several veterans of color with those different organizations in town, but mostly in Post 206. I would like to say to Post 206, you have been trained and we want you to use the training to help each other and our community. We have organizations that need those skills like leadership, organization and carrying out missions. They can be a valuable asset in the community. He noticed on their website that they have four pillars of service. Children and youth is one of those pillars and we know that American Legion has a great baseball league. Within that pillar is baseball, boys state, oratory competition and State police youth. Those are four opportunities for those posts to get involved with our community. The sacrifices of these men and their families brings to light some of the issues involved. They are a unique group and they have unique issues. The Chair states, without objection, the matter is approved by acclamation.

### 4. Mayor requests motion to approve minutes of: (Approved)

The minutes having been deposited with the Mayor and Corporation Counsel and copies of the same having been served on each and every Council member, the reading of the same having been dispensed with, the Chair requests a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Serra so moves and is seconded by Councilman Streeto. Councilman Faulkner abstains from the meeting of January 5 at 6 p.m.; Councilwoman Kasper, Councilman Chisem, and Councilwoman Bartolotta abstain from both meetings on January 8; and Councilman Santangelo abstains from all the meetings of January, 2015. The vote is called and it is unanimous to approve the minutes with the noted abstentions. Councilman Bauer is absent from the meeting.

#### **Meeting Recesses**

Councilman Serra moves for a five minute recess; his motion is seconded by Councilwoman Kasper. The vote is called and it is unanimous with eleven aye votes to recess. The Chair declares the recess at 8:00 p.m.

#### **Meeting Reconvenes**

The Chair calls the meeting back to order at 8:10 p.m.

#### **Motion to Waive the Rules**

Councilman Serra moves waive the rules to call up Director of Planning, Conservation, and Development Michel Wackers. Councilman Streeto seconds the motion. The Chair calls for the vote and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. The Chair states the matter passes and asks Michiel to come forward.

Mr. Wackers comes forward to respond to questions. Councilwoman Bartolotta states she is not sure she heard John Hall correctly; the funds for the Trails, there was a question and we were told the monies could be used but tonight we can't use the funds. Mr. Wackers states the request you have tonight is to authorize \$200,000 of the federal grant to design a multiuse trail. The \$50,000 is the local match the city is required to contribute. The entire project will take advantage of another \$200,000 to construct the trial. For the local match we tried to use LoCIP and CDBG for design, but we can't for the engineering design. We tried to look at local bond funds and were told none of those were available for the match. Councilwoman Bartolotta stated what are we looking at for additional monies. Mr. Wackers replies it is a 20% match and out of \$400,000 the total is \$80,000. The \$50,000 is required to access the design Councilwoman Bartolotta states the \$50,000, you will have to come back and ask for an additional \$30,000. Will the city have to come up with other money. Mr. Wackers replies the \$400,000 grant for the design and construction. We don't know what the cost of building it will be and he thinks it will be more than \$200,000 and we will look for other funding. Councilwoman Bartolotta asks the total cost to the city you are forecasting. Mr. Wackers responds it hasn't been designed and he doesn't know what the cost estimates are before it is designed.

Councilwoman Kasper states the request for additional appropriations, it says \$800,000 grant and it should be \$400,000. Mr. Wackers states it was reduced by the federal budget to \$400,000. The Chair states that was an award and in the congressional appropriation process it was cut.

Councilman Giuliano asks if there are specific requirements for what we have to match and when. Mr. Wackers states we have a contract from the state to access \$225,000 of design funds and as part of that the State wrote in \$50,600 to access this pot. It is 20% for the entire grant. Councilman Giuliano states LoCIP and bond funds are not available for design; are there other options. Mr. Wackers states for design there is no other option. He doesn't see other alternatives.

Councilman Daley states contact with the State is that \$50,600 going toward the federal required match or is the state taking a slice of it. Mr. Wackers states he doesn't know. Councilman Daley asks the additional money for the construction phase and the match, it is possible and probably likely that \$30,000 could be derived for unused road, LoCIP or CDBG.

Mr. Wackers responds yes. Councilman Daley this might be the only local money to be appropriated. Mr. Wackers states CDBG is available. Councilman Daley states you don't foresee coming back for the funds. Mr. Wackers not the local match.

Councilman Streeto if we do the design and having information, if we don't like it we are not obligated to continue the project and we would lose the grant funds. Mr. Wackers states we would lose the grant funds. We have a contract to do just the design.

Councilwoman Kleckowski asks does this have to be city money or can it be raised money. Mr. Wackers states it could be State money, tax payer funds, CDBG. Councilwoman Kleckowski asks if they can go outside and ask them to raise the \$50,000. Mr. Wackers states that is one option. We would be required to raise the funds in a short period of time, the next 3 months, we would lose the entire grant.

Councilwoman Bartolotta asks for a copy of the grant agreement.

#### 7. Mayor requests Council Clerk to read appropriation and bond ordinance requests and the Certificate of Director of Finance.

#### **Appropriation Notices**



MAYOR'S OFFICE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Planning, Conservation And Development

\$50,600, Account No. 1000-27000-59222, Wesleyan Hills Multi-use Trail, Local Match, General Fund.

Any and all persons interested may appear and be heard.

ATTEST:

The Council Chamber is wheelchair accessible. If you require special accommodations for any meeting, please call the (860 638-4812 (TDD/TTY) or the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 638-4910 at least ten days prior to the scheduled meeting.



MAYOR'S OFFICE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown will be held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on February 2, 2015, at 7 p.m. to consider and act upon the followino:

Dated at Middletown, Connecticut, this 20th day of January, 2015

The Council Chamber is wheelchair accessible. If you require special accommodations for any meeting, please call the ADA Coordinator at (800) 638-4812 (TDD/TTY) or the Town Clerk's Office at (800) 638-4910 prior to the scheduled meeting.

MEMORANDUM

TO: His Honor, Mayor Daniel T. Drew and Members of the Common Council

FROM: Finance Department

DATE: January 26, 2015

RE: Certification of Funds

This is to certify that funds sufficient to meet the appropriations requested at your meeting on February 2, 2015 are available as follows:

General Fund \$120,800

Planning, Engineering & Installation \$750,000

Of Security Measures at Various City Facilities Ordinance Bond Issue

Planning, Engineering & Installation \$750,000

Of Web Based Network Security System in Schools Citywide Ordinance Bond Issue

Respectfully submitted.

Gait Erlacher Director of Finance & Revenue Services

1-24-15

# A. Planning Conservation And Development \$50,600, Account No. 1000-27000-59222, Wesleyan Hills Multi-use Trail, Local Match, General Fund. (Amended and Approved)

Councilman Gerald E. Daley reads and moves for approval Planning Conservation And Development \$50,600, Account No. 1000-27000-59222, Wesleyan Hills Multi-use Trail, Local Match, General Fund. Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion.

#### **Motion to Amend**

Councilwoman Kasper amends the request for the additional appropriation to read the council authorized applying for a \$400,000 federal grant rather than \$800,000. Councilman Serra seconds the motion. The vote is called and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Bauer is absent. The Chair states the matter passes unanimously with eleven affirmative votes.

#### **Motion to Amend**

Councilman Giuliano states I would like to offer a small amendment to make it a loan forgivable in whole or part if funds from other sources can be applied to this project. The Chair asks what the funds are. Councilman Giuliano states he doesn't know but he doesn't think all avenues for funding have been investigated and he doesn't want to close the door. Councilwoman Russo Driska seconds. Councilman Streeto urges its rejection. He recognizes the concern and he wanders about the legality. He is not sure we can accept additional funds against an appropriation we have already authorized. If there were other funds, they can explore those options for the additional funding for the construction of the trail. We are not losing out and I would think anyone wanting to explore other funding options can do so.

Councilman Daley states I certainly understand the intent of the amendment but I don't know if it is appropriate to the appropriation request. What I would submit is we should approve this appropriation to ensure the project moves forward and if there is an inclination perhaps they can explore if community members would like to make contributions to the project. He asks Michiel to put on the agenda for Economic Development the fostering of community contributions. I would urge no on the amendment. The Chair calls on the Corporation Counsel; Corporation Counsel Ryan responds they are voted up or down and it can be reduced, but not raised. The Chair states to your intent, we will be happy to search for additional funds. Councilman Giuliano will withdraw the amendment if it is okay with the seconder based on Councilman Daley's comments.

Councilwoman Bartolotta states when she asked about this and Mr. Wackers listed many avenues and unfortunately they are not viable. I feel comfortable moving forward with the request.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

# B. Planning Conservation And Development \$70,000, Account No. 1000-27000-59211, Remington Rand ID Mail Expansion Loan, General Fund. (Approved)

There is a question on the matter. There is no further discussion.

Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta reads and moves for approval Planning Conservation And Development \$70,000, Account No. 1000-27000-59211, Remington Rand ID Mail Expansion Loan, General Fund. Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski seconds the motion.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

C. An Ordinance Appropriating \$750,000 For The Planning, Engineering And Installation Of Security Measures At Various City Facilities And Authorizing The Issue Of \$750,000 Bonds Of The City To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose

## Ordinance No. 05-15 File Name Middletown Bond Ordinance – City buildingsecurity measures (Approved)

Section 1. The sum of \$750,000 is hereby appropriated for the planning, engineering and installation of security measures at various city facilities, including, without limitation, security fencing, window film, a web based network security system, outdoor and indoor cameras, a video surveillance system, card swipes, switches, licenses, door strikes, access control system and programming associated with any city building, and all components associated with these security measures, as well as any project monitoring, inspection, testing, training, support, legal, administrative, advertising, printing and financing costs related thereto as may be accomplished within said appropriation (hereafter the "Project"). Said appropriation shall be inclusive of state and federal grants in aide thereof.

Section 2. The expected useful life of the Project is in excess of ten (10) years. The total estimated cost of the Project is \$750,000, no portion of which is expected to be paid from sources other than the proposed bond issue.

Section 3. To meet said appropriation \$750,000 bonds of the City, or so much thereof as may be necessary for said purpose, may be issued, maturing not later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year after their date, or such later date as may be allowed by law. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer. The bonds shall be issued in an amount necessary to meet the City's share of Project costs determined after considering the estimated amounts of grants in aid of the Project and will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, or, be combined with other bonds of the City and such combined issue shall be in the denomination per aggregate maturity of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in bearer form or in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the City by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, bear the City seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, and be approved as to their legality by Bond Counsel. The bonds shall bear such rate or rates of interest (whether fixed or floating) as shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer. The bonds shall be general obligations of the City and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon and paid from property taxation to the extent not paid from other funds available for the payment thereof. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series, the annual installments of principal, maturity dates, prices, redemption provisions, if any, time of issue and sale, and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including the terms of any reserve that might be established as authorized herein, shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer in the best interests of the City and in accordance with the requirements of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended.

Section 4. Said bonds shall be sold by the Mayor and City Treasurer in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their discretion. If sold at competitive offering, the bonds shall be at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the City, or comparable method. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, the purchase contract shall be approved by the Mayor and City Treasurer.

Section 5. The Mayor and the City Treasurer are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of any series of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, have the seal

of the City or a facsimile thereof affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, and be approved as to their legality by Bond Counsel. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the City and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of said bonds the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such temporary borrowings then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 6. In connection with the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized herein, the City may exercise any power delegated to municipalities pursuant to Section 7-370b, as may be approved and executed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, including the authority to enter into agreements moderating interest rate fluctuation, provided any such agreement or exercise of authority shall be approved by the Common Council.

Section 7. With respect to the receipt of original issuance premium or bid premium upon the sale of the bonds or notes herein authorized, the Mayor and City Treasurer are authorized, but not required, to apply original issuance premium and bid premium, if applicable, to fund future debt service payments on such bonds or notes or to fund any purpose for which bonds of the City are authorized to be issued, and such application shall reduce the amount of authorized and unissued bonds of the purpose to which the premium was applied, in the amount so applied.

Section 8. In order to meet the capital cash flow expenditure needs of the City, the Director of Finance, with notice to and advice from the Mayor and the City Treasurer, is authorized to allocate and reallocate expenditures incurred for the Project to any bonds or notes of the City outstanding as of the date of such allocation, and the bonds or notes to which such expenditures have been allocated shall be deemed to have been issued for such purpose, including the bonds and notes and Project herein authorized.

Section 9. The issue of the bonds aforesaid and of all other bonds or notes of the City heretofore authorized but not yet issued, as of the effective date of this Ordinance, would not cause the indebtedness of the City to exceed any debt limit calculated in accordance with law as shown by the "Debt Statement" attached hereto.

Section 10. The Mayor is hereby authorized to spend a sum not to exceed the aforesaid appropriation for the purposes set forth herein, and the Mayor is specifically authorized to make, execute and deliver any contract or contracts, and any other documents necessary or convenient to complete the improvements authorized herein and the financing thereof.

Section 11. The Mayor, the City Treasurer, the Director of Finance and any other proper City official are each hereby authorized to apply for and accept any available State or Federal grant in aid of the financing of the Project, and to take all action necessary or proper in connection therewith.

Section 12. The City hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid 60 days prior to and after the date of passage of this ordinance in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations authorized to be issued by the City. Such obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date as the Regulations may authorize. The City hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Director of Finance or his designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of any such reimbursement obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 13. The Director of Finance is hereby authorized to exercise all powers conferred by Section 3-20e of the general statutes with respect to secondary market disclosure and to provide annual information and notices of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 14. This ordinance shall become effective fifteen days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City pursuant to Section 5 of the City Charter.

## DEBT STATEMENT December 31, 2014 CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

ANNUAL RECEIPTS FROM TAXATION	AND REIMBURSEMENTS (	"BASE")
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Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014 112,444,634

BORROWING CAPACITY FOR EACH CLASS

 2-1/4 times base for General Purposes
 253,000,427

 4-1/2 times base for Schools
 506,000,853

 3-3/4 times base for Sewers
 421,667,378

 3-1/4 times base for Urban Renewal
 365,445,061

 3 times base for Unfunded Past Benefit Obligations
 337,333,902

MAXIMUM AGGREGATE BORROWING CAPACITY

787,112,438

7 times Base

INDEBTEDNESS BONDS AND NOTES:

GENERAL PURPOSES 41,503,790
SCHOOLS 15,050,260
SEWERS 3,433,285
URBAN RENEWAL UNFUNDED PAST BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT

UNISSUED:

GENERAL PURPOSES 49,818,910
SCHOOLS 2,336,100
SEWERS 55,307,330
URBAN RENEWAL UNFUNDED PAST BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS -

CLEAN WATER FUND LOANS:

SEWERS 5,522,253

SUB-TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS 172,971,928

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FEDERAL AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT BUILDING GRANTS, COMMITMENTS AND RECEIVABLES

GENERAL PURPOSE

SCHOOLS SEWERS URBAL RENEWAL TOTAL DEDUCTIONS -

NET INDEBTEDNESS 172,971,928

TOTAL DEDUCTIONS

BALANCE OF BORROWING CAPACITY FOR

EACH CLASS:

 GENERAL PURPOSE
 161,677,727

 SCHOOLS
 488,614,493

 SEWERS
 357,404,510

 URBAL RENEWAL
 365,445,061

 UNFUNDED PAST BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS
 337,333,902

BALANCE OF MAXIMUM AGGREGATE BORROWING

CAPACITY AVAILABLE 614,140,510

Councilman Robert P. Santangelo reads and moves for approval An Ordinance Appropriating \$750,000 For The Planning, Engineering And Installation Of Security Measures At Various City Facilities And Authorizing The Issue Of \$750,000 Bonds Of The City To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose. Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion.

#### **Motion to Waive the Rules**

Councilman Serra moves to waive the reading of the rest of the ordinance; his motion is seconded by Councilwoman Kleckowski. The vote is unanimous to waive the rest of the reading of the ordinance with eleven aye votes.

Councilman Faulkner asks how much this will cost us annually. Upkeep and there was discussion of who will watch the cameras. The Chair states the camera systems, no one watches them, but the video is retrievable.

Councilman Serra states these two projects have been in the works for 4 or 5 years and these projects are well into the \$1.9 million and this was prioritized by Public Safety project. There is a possibility that some of the cameras will be looked at by dispatch and the individuals on Public Safety took a long time to get this done. Councilman Giuliano states it is a sign of the times that these types of improvements are necessary. Briefly to answer Councilman Faulkner's question. Most of the time, the videos are not monitored constantly, but should an ongoing situation happen, it can be monitored. The Chair states we had a minor incident and we could retrieve what the police needed.

Councilwoman Bartolotta states I am all for the upgrades in the facilities and my concern is they are not regularly monitored. If we are doing this it should be proactive and not reactive. I strongly suggest the cameras are monitored so it is preventive and should be done at the Police Department. I think it is a good idea so long as we take on the second half of the responsibility. Councilman Santangelo states in looking at the system and listening to comments it does let us do is have a state of the art situation and it enhances the capability of the Police officers to have a peek of what is going on in the building and it allows communication with computers and the access the police will have. He supports this. It is a step up from where we are. It takes about ten steps up from where we are.

Councilman Streeto states in terms of the overall advocacy of the system; from the criminal courts we see more video footage taking part in the cases. In that context, cameras in and of themselves have a deterrent effect on the criminal class. This is something we will see more and more of. Councilman Faulkner states prevention is big with me and he is not a fan of buying toys and gadgets but as we do this let us not lull ourselves into a false sense of security. We need more money in prevention and dealing with people who can't handle life. As we spend this money, let us spend money on prevention and not having people really stressed.

Councilman Daley agrees with what has been said and we want to be in the forefront in taking measures to ensure the public, employees and our students are safe. This is a lot of money. I take to heart what Councilman Serra said that Public Safety put a lot of time and effort in this and I will be supporting these measures. I myself would expect that we will have certain members of the public want to know what are we spending the money for and he requests that whatever types of studies are available on this be made available to the members of the council. He would like to know if the reports discussed being proactive rather than reactive and have we done studies on other measures not related to cameras and web based systems, but measures to make people staff, doors resistant to unauthorized entry. I would like to see the reports available to show what we are looking to do.

Councilman Serra states Public Safety started this before the tragedy happened in Newtown and Councilman Giuliano, the security report was 2010. It is five years later relative to the security report. We have taken 5 years to come to this point. We did have Dispatch looking at the Roth wells and reservoir. They will be looking at this during the budget session. We need to vote yes and deal with budget season.

The Chair states Joe Samolis and the Police Department worked with Public Safety. There have been other measures that have been undertaken with some urgency since the tragedy in 2012. It is not just the purchase of technology. The Fire Department had input on facility hardening measures as well. In terms of long term operating procedures, they will review and for the bond tonight there was a lot of involvement.

Councilwoman Kasper states Middletown was chosen by the FBI to look at the schools and they did that through the schools and reported back and some of the things being done have been done in executive session and that all changes should not be made public. In regard to the physical part of the school, certain doors will be changed. The Chair states to your point, not only did we get resources from the federal government, but we also had meetings with them.

Councilman Daley states he understands not publicly discussing all the security, but we have an obligation to the public to show what the breakdown is. The Chair states Joe can get a memo to the Council.

The chair calls for the vote by roll call.

Councilwoman Bartolotta Aye Councilman Bauer Absent Councilman Chisem Aye Councilman Daley Aye Councilman Giuliano Aye Councilman Faulkner Aye Councilwoman Kasper Aye Councilwoman Kleckowski Aye Councilwoman Russo Driska Aye Councilman Santangelo Aye Councilman Serra Aye Councilman Streeto Aye

It is 11 aye votes; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

D. An Ordinance Appropriating \$750,000 For The Planning, Engineering And Installation Of A Web Based Network Security System In Schools Citywide And Authorizing The Issue Of \$750,000 Bonds Of The City To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose

#### Ordinance No. 06-15

### File Name MiddletownBondOrdinance – schoolsecuritysystem(12-22-14) (Approved)

Section 1. The sum of \$750,000 is hereby appropriated for the planning, engineering and installation of a web based network security system in schools citywide, including, without limitation, outdoor and indoor cameras, card swipes, switches, licenses, door strikes, access control system and programming associated with ten (10) city schools (Middletown High School, Keigwin Middle School, MacDonough, Bielefield, Farm Hill, Lawrence, Moody, Wesley, Snow and Spencer schools), and all components associated with the security system, as well as any project monitoring, inspection, testing, training, support, legal, administrative, advertising, printing and financing costs related thereto as may be accomplished within said appropriation (hereafter the "Project"). Said appropriation shall be inclusive of state and federal grants in aide thereof.

Section 2. The expected useful life of the Project is in excess of ten (10) years. The total estimated cost of the Project is \$750,000, no portion of which is expected to be paid from sources other than the proposed bond issue.

Section 3. To meet said appropriation \$750,000 bonds of the City, or so much thereof as may be necessary for said purpose, may be issued, maturing not later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year after their date, or such later date as may be allowed by law. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer. The bonds shall be issued in an amount necessary to meet the City's share of Project costs determined after considering the estimated amounts of grants in aid of the Project and will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, or, be combined with other bonds of the City and such combined issue shall be in the denomination per aggregate maturity of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in bearer form or in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the City by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, bear the City seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, and be approved as to their legality by Bond Counsel. The bonds shall bear such rate or rates of interest (whether fixed or floating) as shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer. The bonds shall be general obligations of the City and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon and paid from property taxation to the extent not paid from other funds available for the payment thereof. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series, the annual installments of principal, maturity dates, prices, redemption provisions, if any, time of issue and sale, and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including the terms of any reserve that might be established as authorized herein, shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer in the best interests of the City and in accordance with the requirements of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended.

Section 4. Said bonds shall be sold by the Mayor and City Treasurer in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their discretion. If sold at competitive offering, the bonds shall be at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the City, or comparable method. If

the bonds are sold by negotiation, the purchase contract shall be approved by the Mayor and City

The Mayor and the City Treasurer are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of any series of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, have the seal of the City or a facsimile thereof affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, and be approved as to their legality by Bond Counsel. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the City and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of said bonds the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such temporary borrowings then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 6. In connection with the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized herein, the City may exercise any power delegated to municipalities pursuant to Section 7-370b, as may be approved and executed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, including the authority to enter into agreements moderating interest rate fluctuation, provided any such agreement or exercise of authority shall be approved by the Common Council.

Section 7. With respect to the receipt of original issuance premium or bid premium upon the sale of the bonds or notes herein authorized, the Mayor and City Treasurer are authorized, but not required, to apply original issuance premium and bid premium, if applicable, to fund future debt service payments on such bonds or notes or to fund any purpose for which bonds of the City are authorized to be issued, and such application shall reduce the amount of authorized and unissued bonds of the purpose to which the premium was applied, in the amount so applied.

Section 8. In order to meet the capital cash flow expenditure needs of the City, the Director of Finance, with notice to and advice from the Mayor and the City Treasurer, is authorized to allocate and reallocate expenditures incurred for the Project to any bonds or notes of the City outstanding as of the date of such allocation, and the bonds or notes to which such expenditures have been allocated shall be deemed to have been issued for such purpose, including the bonds and notes and Project herein authorized.

Section 9. The issue of the bonds aforesaid and of all other bonds or notes of the City heretofore authorized but not yet issued, as of the effective date of this Ordinance, would not cause the indebtedness of the City to exceed any debt limit calculated in accordance with law as shown by the "Debt Statement" attached hereto.

Section 10. The Mayor is hereby authorized to spend a sum not to exceed the aforesaid appropriation for the purposes set forth herein, and the Mayor is specifically authorized to make, execute and deliver any contract or contracts, and any other documents necessary or convenient to complete the improvements authorized herein and the financing thereof.

Section 11. The Mayor, the City Treasurer, the Director of Finance and any other proper City official are each hereby authorized to apply for and accept any available State or Federal grant in aid of the financing of the Project, and to take all action necessary or proper in connection therewith.

Section 12. The City hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid 60 days prior to and after the date of passage of this ordinance in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations authorized to be issued by the City. Such obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date as the Regulations may authorize. The City hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Director of Finance or his designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of any such reimbursement obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 13. The Director of Finance is hereby authorized to exercise all powers conferred by Section 3-20e of the general statutes with respect to secondary market disclosure and to provide annual information and notices of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 14. This ordinance shall become effective fifteen days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City pursuant to Section 5 of the City Charter.

## DEBT STATEMENT December 31, 2014 CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

ANNUAL RECEIPTS FROM TAXATION AND RI	EIMBURSEMENTS ("BASE")		
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014	,		112,444,634
BORROWING CAPACITY FOR EACH CLASS			
2-1/4 times base for General Purposes			253,000,427
4-1/2 times base for Schools			506,000,853
3-3/4 times base for Sewers			421,667,378
3-1/4 times base for Urban Renewal			365,445,061
3 times base for Unfunded Past Benefit	Obligations		337,333,902
MAXIMUM AGGREGATE BORROWING CAPA	CITY		787,112,438
7 times Base	CIT		767,112,436
T times base			
INDEBTEDNESS BONDS AND NOTES:			
GENERAL PURPOSES	41,503,790		
SCHOOLS	15,050,260		
SEWERS	3,433,285		
URBAN RENEWAL			
UNFUNDED PAST BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS	s -		
BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT			
UNISSUED:			
GENERAL PURPOSES	49,818,910		
SCHOOLS	2,336,100		
SEWERS	55,307,330		
URBAN RENEWAL	-		
UNFUNDED PAST BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS	-		
CLEAN WATER FUND LOANS:			
SEWERS	5,522,253		
CUD TOTAL INDEPTEDATE	172 071 000		
SUB-TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS	172,971,928		
LESS			
FEDERAL AND STATE OF CONNECTICUT			
BUILDING GRANTS, COMMITMENTS AN	D		
RECEIVABLES			
GENERAL PURPOSE			
GENERAL FORFOSE	_		
SCHOOLS	-		
SEWERS URBAL RENEWAL			
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS			
NET INDEBTEDNESS		172,971,928	
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS			
BALANCE OF BORROWING CAPACITY FOR EACH CLASS:			
EACH CLASS;			
GENERAL PURPOSE	161,677,727		
SCHOOLS	488,614,493		
SEWERS	357,404,510		
URBAL RENEWAL UNFUNDED PAST BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS	365,445,061 337,333,902		
BALANCE OF MAXIMUM AGGREGATE BORROWING			

Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski reads and moves for approval an Ordinance Appropriating \$750,000 For The Planning, Engineering And Installation Of A Web Based Network Security System In Schools Citywide And Authorizing The Issue Of \$750,000 Bonds Of The City To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose. Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano seconds the motion.

614,140,510

#### **Motion to Waive the Rules**

CAPACITY AVAILABLE

Councilman Streeto moves to waive the rules to waive the reading of the rest of the ordinance. His motion is seconded by Councilwoman Kleckowski. The vote is called and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes.

There is no discussion.

The chair calls for the vote by roll call.

Councilwoman Bartolotta Ave Councilman Bauer Absent Councilman Chisem Aye Councilman Daley Aye Aye Councilman Giuliano Councilman Faulkner Aye Councilwoman Kasper Aye Councilwoman Kleckowski Aye Councilwoman Russo Driska Aye Councilman Santangelo Aye Councilman Serra Aye Councilman Streeto Aye

It is 11 aye votes; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

The Chair states they worked with Senator Blumenthal's office and the Board of Education has received some grants for some improvements. There has been the seeking of outside funds as well.

#### 9. Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approvals:

Councilman Thomas J. Serra reads and moves for approval Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approvals agenda items 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D, 9E, and 9F. Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion.

## A. City Clerk's Certificate (Approved)



City of Middletown City & Town Clerk's Office 245 deKoven Drive Middletown, CT 06457

#### Certification

I, Linda Bettencourt, City and Town Clerk of the City of Middletown and custodian of the records and seal thereof, hereby certify that all ordinances and appropriations passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Common Council on January 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. and the special meetings on January 5, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., January 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. and the special meeting January 8, 2015 immediately following the 7:00 p.m. meeting, have been advertised in the local newspaper.

Dated at Middletown, Connecticut, this 28th day of January, 2015.

Attest:

Zuela Setteneour V Linda Bettencourt City & Town Clerk

#### **Monthly Reports:** Finance Department - Transfer Report to (Approved)

		Transfers of Funds - Opera			
		From12/19/14	To1/23/15		
		FY 2014-2015			
	From To				
Date	Department	Budget Item	Account No.	Account No.	Amount
12/11/14	Fire	Contractual Services	2010-50000-55185-0500		(5,000.00)
		Incentive Pay - College	2010-50000-51915-0500		(2,000.00)
		General Vehicle Services		2010-50000-53510-0500	7,000.00
01/12/15	Water	Contingency Fund	5000-60000-57020		(6,500.00)
		Repairs/Maintenance to Vehicles		5000-60000-53520	6,500.00
01/12/15	Sewer	Contingency Fund	2050-65000-57020		(6,500.00)
		Repairs/Maintenance to Vehicles		2050-65000-53520	6,500.00
01/14/15	IT	Consultant Services	1000-03500-55180		(2,500.00)
0111110		Salaries & Wages, PT Perm		1000-03500-51215	2,500.00
01/13/15	Parking Fund	Parking Lot Public Safety Improve & Maint	2030-18500-53351-x-x-2013		(15,000.00)
0 11 101 10	T uniting T unit	Access Control Technologies & Infrastruct		2030-18500-53577-x-x-2014	15,000.00
01/22/15	Registrar	General Administrative	1000-09000-52110		(724.00
O II ZZI TO	rtogiouur	Voting Machine Expenses		1000-09000-55500	724.00
01/22/15	Communications	Contractual Services	1000-18700-55185		(1,000.00
01/22/10	Communications	Repairs/Maintenance to Vehicles	1000 10100 00100	1000-18700-53520	1,000.00
01/22/15	Eiro	Diesel Fuel	2010-50000-54160-0500		(5,000.00
01/22/13	F 11 G	Gasoline	2010-50000-54100-0500	<del> </del>	(3,000.00
		Repairs/Maintenance to Buildings	2010 00000 00040-0000	2010-50000-53380-0500	8,000.00
					0.00
					0.00

#### **Grant Confirmation and Approval - Board of Education, Various Grants** C. (Approved)

#### CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

#### REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number:	196	D	ate of Request: 1/16/2015
Name of Grant:	as listed below		
Amount Requested:	\$580,332.34	Code: 2450-33000-59405-X-03025	
Grant Period:	From: 7/1/2014 To:	6/30/2015 Rev Code 2450-33000-43	480-X-X
Type of Grant:		Amount Loaned from General Fund:	\$0.00
Department Administeri	ing Grant: Middletown I	Board of Education	

When any department, commission, office or agency is the recipient of any federal, state or other grant allocated for specific purposes, these funds shall be immediately transferred to the specific unit which has made application for such grant. Confirmation and approval of such transfer shall be given at the next regularly scheduled sessions of the Common Council. Not-withstanding any other Charter provision, the action of the Common Council in confirming and approving such transfer shall be an appropriation; no public hearing thereon shall be required and said funds may then be expended for the purposes for which they were granted.

#### Description of services to be provided by this Grant:

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769 - Middletown Teen Theater \$675.00; 785 - 21st Century Keigwin \$165,530.00; 832 - CFMC All Pro Dad \$3,000.00;

841 - SPED Excess Cost \$11,610.70; 843 - Even Start Fam Lit (\$7,917.00); 876 - Hartford Symphony Match Don \$3,570.00;

891 - Project 083-0113 VE Vo-ag (\$491.00); 894 - Swalim Strings Pgm \$2,060.00; 700 - Food Srevices \$78,867.01; 801 
Retirees/Cobra Ins \$240,391.25; 803 - Workers Comp \$3,962.19; 804 - Preschool Pgm Fees \$8,840.99; 809 
Maintenance/Rentals \$4,843.75; 823 - Central Office Receipts \$23,542.12; 833 - Adult Education Receipts \$5,370.00; 893 
Fingerprinting Receipts \$445.50; 895 - SPED Tuition Reimbursement \$25,731.83; 898 - Student Activities MHS \$10,000.00;

902 - Student Activities WWMS \$300.00. Total Special Programs through 12/17/14 \$10,385,281.45 ADDITIONS \$580,332.34

Total Special Programs through 01/16/15 \$10,965,613.79.

Signature:	Parinx harle
Requested by:	Patricia Charles, ED.D.
Status:	
Status Date:	

### D. Grant Confirmation and Approval - Public Works, Westlake Drive Reconstruction (Approved)

## CITY OF MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

### REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number:	197	D	ate of Request: 1/21/2015
Name of Grant:	Westlake Drive Reconstr	uction - LO82-0001	
Amount Requested:	\$2,016,740.00	Code: 3631-22000-57030-0220-9	5618-2015 SUP
Grant Period:	From: 7/1/2014 To:	Rev Code 3631-22000	-43242-0220-95618-2015
Type of Grant:	State	Amount Loaned from General Fund:	\$2,016,740.00
Department Administer	ing Grant: Public Work	is .	

When any department, commission, office or agency is the recipient of any federal, state or other grant allocated for specific purposes, these funds shall be immediately transferred to the specific unit which has made application for such grant. Confirmation and approval of such transfer shall be given at the next regularly scheduled sessions of the Common Council. Not-withstanding any other Charter provision, the action of the Common Council in confirming and approving such transfer shall be an appropriation; no public hearing thereon shall be required and said funds may then be expended for the purposes for which they were granted.

Description of services to be provided by this Grant:

These grant funds will be used for the reconstruction of Westlake Drive.

Signature:

Requested by: Robert Dobroeler

Status:
Status Date:

## E. Human Relations - Hiring Report (Approved)



City of Middletown

#### **Memorandum**

To: Mayor Daniel T. Drew

From: Faith M. Jackson, Human Relations Director & Affirmative Action Officer

Date: January 21, 2014

Re: The City of Middletown 2014/2015 Recruitment Hiring Report - 2nd Quarter Report

Attached is the 2014/2015 second quarter recruitment hiring report for the City of Middletown for your review and approval. For the second quarter, a total of four people were hired: (2) White Males and (2) White Females. Job opportunities this quarter fell under the following categories: EEO-2 Professionals, Planning, Conservation, and Development and Health Department, EEO-6 Administrative Services, Central Communications, and EEO-8 Service Maintenance, Board of Education. The City achieved two of its set goals, (2) White Females in the EEO-2 Professionals category accounting for 50% of all new hires in the protected class.

Even though the City does not hire a large number of new employees, it continues to demonstrate its good faith efforts to hire a diverse workforce. If you have any questions or would like further explanation of this report, please call me at extension 4830. Thank you.

c: Kathleen Morey, Human Resources Director
Common Council
Affirmative Action Monitoring Committee

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Attachments
Approve:

Decline:

Signature
Date
Date
Date

THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN DEPT.

HUMAN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT 245 deKoven Drive Middletown, CT 06457-1300 TEL: (860) 638-4830 FAX: (860) 638-1930



#### City of Middletown

#### **Memorandum**

Daniel T. Drew, Mayor, City of Middletown To:

Faith M. Jackson, Human Relations Director and Affirmative From:

Date: January 21, 2014

#### ations/Transfers/Other Results October, November, December 2014

	Total	WM	WF	BM	BF	HM	HF	AM	AF	AIM	AIF	ОМ	OF
New Hires:	4	1C 1BE	*2C										
Promotions:	3	3C											
Transfers	2	1C					1BE						
Demotions:													
Reclassifications:													
Terminations/	1	1RC											

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## Affirmative Action Recruitment Hiring Goals 2014-2015 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Hiring Results October, November, December 2014

	Position(s) Available	Number of Available	Goal(s) Achieved
EEO Category/Number of Goals (45)	Y/N	Position(s)	Y/N
EEO1 – Officials/Administrator (4)	N	_	
*1WF, 1HM, 1HF, 1OF			
EEO2 - Professional (6)	Y	2	Y
*2WF, 1BM, 1BF, 1HF, 1OF			*2WF
EEO3 – Technician (4)	N		
1WF, 1BM, 1HF, 1OM			
EEO4 - Protective Services (7)	N		
1WF, 2BM, 1BF, 1HM, 10M, 10F			
EEO5 - Paraprofessionals (4)	N	-	
1BM, 1BF, 1HM, 1OF			
EEO6 - Administrative Services (8)	Y	1	N
2WF, 1BM, 2BF, 1HF, 1OM, 1OF			1WM
EEO7 - Skilled Craft (4)	N	-	
1WF, 1BM, 1HM, 1OM			
EEO8 - Service Maintenance (8)	Y	1	N
2WF, 1BM, 1BF, 1HM, 1HF, 1OM, 1OF			1WM
Total Hires		4	

\*Achieved Established Goal(s)
\*\*Achieved a Minority Hire(s)

The following report reflects the 2014-2015 second quarter hiring results. During this quarter, the City hired four employees, two White Males and two White Females. The City achieved two of its set goals, two white females in EEO2- Professional, one Planning & Environmental Specialist in Planning, Conservation, and Development and one Public Health Sanitarian Enforcement Officer in the Health Department. Of the four new hires, 50% were from the protected class. For this quarter, hiring occurred in the following departments: Planning, Conservation, and Development, Health, Central Communications, and the Board of Ed.

ted by, Jackson, Human Relations Director and tive Action Officer

#### **Emergency Purchase - Parking Department for additional Kiosk at Melilli Plaza** (Approved)

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor Daniel T. Drew Middletown Common mon Council Members

Geen Thazhampallath Director Parking Services FROM:

CC: Joe Samolis, Mayor's Aide Eldon Bailey, IT

Added Parking Kiosk accompanying Electrical Work

DATE: January 16, 2015

As you may be aware, on January 5, 2015 the Parking Department went "live" with six new self-service parking kiosks. Two of the kiosks were placed in the upper level of the Arcade and four were placed within Melilli Plaza based on the lot configurations and usage patterns.

After 1 week, it became readily apparent that the Arcade Lot needed a third kiosk to handle the After 1 week, it became readily apparent that the Arcade Lot needed a third knosk to handle the very high volume of revenue generation due to Superior Court visitors. In the first week, we received numerous complaints from area retailers, visiting attorneys and various adjacent property owners and commerce participants that the lines at the Arcade were too long and causing significant functional issues within their places of business and on some level to state court operations. I personally visited the site every morning between 8AM and 10AM and can verify that lines were roughly, at the peak hours, between 10 to 25 people deep.

In response to this issue and after consultation with the vendor, the Mayor's Office and various commerce representatives who were impacted, we ordered, on an emergency basis, a 3rd Kiosk for the Arcade funded completely from the Parking Fund. The costs for this necessary action were

Additional Kiosk: \$12043 Added Electrical & Cabling: \$2805 Funding Source: Funding Source: Parking Fund

I am happy to report that the 3<sup>rd</sup> Kiosk was implemented on January 9 and that the lines have now I am happy to report that the 5" Ktosk was implemented on January 9 and that the lines have now eliminated at this location with smoother operations reported from neighboring entities and property owners. Also, we have improved signage at the location to clarify payment procedures and are finalizing plans to on-board a free mobile payment app to accompany our kiosks in both parking lots. A vast majority of complainants requested a mobile ability to pay as cell phones have now become the main mode of commerce for many people.

Please accept this as notice of our purchase and installation to meet this pressing need and notice that all purchasing requirements to accomplish this change order were followed and submitted as can be verified by the Finance Department. If, I can answer any further questions feel free to contact me at 860 638 4926.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

#### 10. Payment of all City bills when properly approved.

Councilman Thomas J. Serra reads and moves for approval Payment of all City bills when properly approved. Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

#### 11. Resolutions, Ordinances, etc.:

Approving amending Section 74-9 Filling vacancies in funded positions of Α. Chapter 74 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances by adding language that will have the Finance Department certify funding of vacant positions.

Ordinance No. 07-15

sec74-9fillingvacancies2-15alternate File Name

(Approved)

74-9 Filling vacancies in funded positions.

No filling of positions shall be initiated without proper funding in the budget for the specific position that is vacant. The Department Director will confirm with the Finance Department, and

will review the budget and certify in writing that funding is available in the budget for the specific position utilizing a personnel requisition form. Whenever any position for which funding has been certified by the Department Director, working with the Finance Department, and for which the Mayor is the appointing authority, has become vacant for any reason, the Mayor or his/her designee shall take all necessary and appropriate action to begin the process for permanently filling the position within 10 days of the date the position becomes vacant and thereafter shall continue to take all action necessary and appropriate for the position to be filled without delay. The Common Council may authorize an exception to these requirements.

From time to time there may be positions that are vacant and are necessary for the conduct of City business. In such situations, an employee may fill a position on an acting basis. When this occurs, the Finance and Government Operations Committee shall conduct a study to determine the value of the position in City government; however, in no case shall such acting position continue beyond six months. Upon recommendation by the Finance and Government Operations Committee, in cases where a search for a candidate to fill the vacancy occurs and goes beyond the six months, the Council may waive this requirement as deemed appropriate by a super majority vote of the Common Council.

Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta reads and moves for approval amending Section 74-9 Filling vacancies in funded positions of Chapter 74 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances by adding language that will have the Finance Department certify funding of vacant positions. Councilman Carl R. Chisem seconds the motion.

Councilman Giuliano will not support this. I don't believe we have the authority to direct the executive branch on how it carries out business. We already set a limit and how the mayor goes about assuring compliance is up to him. This encroaches on the executive branch. I really think it is beyond our purview. It doesn't have any teeth. If it is not followed, there is not much we can do. We didn't take any action when it wasn't followed last time.

Councilman Faulkner wants to makes sure that our managers and directors pay attention to their budgets. I know in this recent incident there was complications of the budget process time. Directors and managers should be on top of their game.

The Chair states the forms have been revised completely. This ordinance is ensconcing permanently the changes they already made.

Councilwoman Bartolotta states this came out of Finance and Government and there was great discussion because of the problem we had and she is taken aback since Councilman Giuliano was most outspoken on the issue. I appreciate the comments from the Mayor that the forms have been changed and the ordinance has to be followed and the director is now directed to go to finance and it just is that we are hiring appropriately. She asks the Council to vote yes. It is an ordinance that already existed. She reads the old language. We are asking Finance to verify the funding so the fiasco doesn't happen again.

Councilman Daley states he doesn't feel this infringes on the authority of the Mayor. There is an existing ordinance that provides for filling vacancies. What this proposed amendment does is to reinforce the Council's fiduciary responsibility that the budget we adopt is followed and that the authority of the disbursement is under the ultimate authority of the Council. The amendment does not proscribe a specific form and the initial ordinance at General Counsel committee just certified it in writing and it was General Counsel who added the language. There is a form in place and it does not proscribe the form. He was surprised that this was not already in place. Most municipalities have some provision to have Finance sign off before positions are filled. It makes a lot of sense. He supports it.

Councilman Streeto will support this as well. I was satisfied with the explanations that it was an oversight. This is not an attempt to punish, but to avoid similar situations in the future. I think it is a good amendment. He urges its approval.

Councilwoman Russo Driska agrees with Councilman Streeto that it was not intentional. I can tell you I was surprised when it happened. Since it goes to finance to confirm, I am comfortable with it. I disagree that discipline didn't occur. We are trying to correct this. The language proposed, she is comfortable with that so it doesn't occur again. The Chair states this was in place on the form at one point and given it wasn't there, something like what happened would happen.

Councilman Serra states this is his ordinance way back in 1983. It is our business to make policy to make the city run more effectively and efficiently. It is our charge as legislators and he will support this.

The chair states this is not an encroachment on the executive branch. It is just a requirement. In terms of the director; the director took responsibility, I took responsibility as did other directors. He thanks Michiel for the work he has been doing.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 9 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley,

Councilman James Streeto, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 2 nay votes by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 9 affirmative votes, 2 in opposition and 1 absent

В. Approving amending Section 47-26 and 47-27 of Chapter 47, Article XI of the Middletown Code of Ordinances regarding a name change of the Parks and Recreation Department to Recreation and Community Services along with changes in the Administration of the fund.

Ordinance No. 08-15

sec47-26and47-27rev2015 **File Name** 

(Approved)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That Sections 47-26 and 47-27 of Chapter 47, Article XI of the Middletown Code of Ordinances be revised as follows:

> Chapter 47 **FUNDS**

Article XI. Parks and Recreation Recreation and Community Services Department Program and Activity Fund

[Adopted 6-7-1999; amended in its entirety 12-2-2002]

§ 47-26. Establishment; purpose.

There shall be a fund created to be known as the "Park and Recreation Recreation and Community Services Department Program and Activity Fund" to incorporate all income and expenses associated with the Parks and Recreation and Community Services Department fee-based programs for recreational activities, including but not limited to bus trips, cookouts, pizza parties, crafts, prizes, staffing, materials and supplies, and equipment rentals.

§ 47-27. Administration.

A.\_
The monies collected will be held in a checking account with authorized signatures on the Parks and Recreation Department administrative staff.

This fund shall be subject to audit in the same manner as other City funds.

The Parks and Recreation Department Director shall file a quarterly income, expense and cash balance report with the Mayor, the Director of Finance, the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Finance and Budget Committee

Councilman Carl R. Chisem reads and moves for approval amending Section 47-26 and 47-27 of Chapter 47, Article XI of the Middletown Code of Ordinances regarding a name change of the Parks and Recreation Department to Recreation and Community Services along with changes in the Administration of the fund. Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion.

#### Motion to waive the rules

Councilman Serra moves to waive the reading of the rest of the ordinances; his motion is seconded by Councilwoman Kleckowski. The Chair calls for the vote and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. The Chair states the matter passes.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

C. Approving amending Section 214-6 Hours of Operation of Chapter 216 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances to change opening time in non-gated parks to sunrise to sunset and for gated parks from 8 a.m. to sunset.

Ordinance No. 09-15 **File Name** Sec214-6HoursofOperation (Approved)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That Section 214-6 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances be revised as follows:

214-6 Hours of Operation

A. The City open space parks and non-gated recreational areas shall be open to the public daily between sunrise and sunset. Other gated City parks and recreational areas shall be open to the general public daily between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and sunset, excepting the public swimming areas

shall be open as indicated in § 214-24, Public swimming. Park supervisors of the City of Middletown may close any portion of a park or recreational area and/or the use of its facilities when it appears that the capacity of the area has been filled or for any reason the use of the same would endanger the public safety.

B. Donovan Park is restricted from public use when school is in regular session. The principal of Macdonough School or the Park Superintendent may further restrict the hours of operation of the park, which restriction may occur prior to, or after, normal school operating hours and/or activities. Enforcement of this subsection shall be performed by the Middletown Police Department.

Councilman James Streeto reads and moves for approval amending Section 214-6 Hours of Operation of Chapter 216 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances to change opening time in non-gated parks to sunrise to sunset and for gated parks from 8 a.m. to sunset. Councilman Thomas J. Serra seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

D. Approving supporting the Office of the Consumer Counsel's efforts to develop an RFQ for ultra-high speed broadband internet and supporting finding parties interested in building ultra-high speed broadband internet services in the State of Connecticut and in the City of Middletown

Resolution No. 17-15

File Name PCD\_CCC\_GIG\_Broadband\_Networks\_Feb2015

(Approved)

WHEREAS, The Office of the Consumer Counsel (OCC) of Connecticut has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to interested parties which could provide ultra-high speed, GIGabit broadband internet service to Connecticut residents, businesses and government entities; and,

WHEREAS, the OCC has invited all Connecticut communities to participate in the RFQ; and,

WHEREAS, it is in Middletown's economic development interest to have an ultra-high speed GIGabit broadband internet network built out in the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: the City Council of Middletown, CT supports the OCC's effort to find parties interested in providing ultra-high speed broadband internet services the State of Connecticut and to the City of Middletown.

Councilman Gerald E. Daley reads and moves for approval supporting the Office of the Consumer Counsel's efforts to develop an RFQ for ultra-high speed broadband internet and supporting finding parties interested in building ultra-high speed broadband internet services in the State of Connecticut and in the City of Middletown. Councilman Robert P. Santangelo seconds the motion.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

The Chair thanks the Council for voting unanimously for this. It is a major deal and presents a tremendous opportunity for Middletown and Connecticut. It is very expensive and this effort is to make it more available. The efforts of the Consumer Council is to democratize it and make it more affordable for municipalities and businesses across Connecticut. If we can do that, we can offer affordable high speed broad band and intensify our efforts to attract data intensive organizations to Middletown.

E. Approving a new lease for ID Mail at 180 Johnson Street to include ID Mail's expansion into Building B on the second floor and a bid waiver in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances for the expansion project.

Resolution No. 18-15
File Name pcdIDmail\_rrlease\_Feb2015
(Amended and Approved)

**WHEREAS**, at the January 7, 2014 meeting of the Economic Development Committee, the members present agreed to move forward to the Common Council a proposed new lease at the former Remington Rand building, 180 Johnson Street, for ID Mail, a mail sorting machine manufacturing company.

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Zoning Commission, at their January 14, 2015 meeting will review the request by the Economic Development Committee to grant a GS 8-24 review to allow the City of Middletown to enter into these lease agreement at the former Remington Rand property (180 Johnson Street).

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to implement the lease for ID Mail and ID Mail's expansion into Building B on the second floor.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**: That a bid waiver, in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances, be approved to for the expansion project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That all quotes and/or RFQ's be reviewed by the Economic Development Commission and Contract Compliance to ensure they are in compliance with City purchasing procedures and contract requirements.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT** –It is important to secure additional revenue to run the Remington Rand building and pay back the \$225,000 operating cost loan from the general fund. No impact on the general fund other than increasing the value of a city asset. This five year lease will generate \$438,000 in revenue to the Economic Development Fund. This resolution is also accompanied by an appropriate request for \$70,000 loan from the general fund to make improvements to allow ID Mail to expand into Building B on the second. This loan will be repaid 35 monthly payment of \$2,000 to the General Fund.

Councilman Robert P. Santangelo reads and moves for approval a new lease for ID Mail at 180 Johnson Street to include ID Mail's expansion into Building B on the second floor and a bid waiver in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances for the expansion project. Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion.

#### **Motion to Amend**

Councilwoman Kasper moves to amend the resolution to add a condition so that the Economic Development Commission and Contract Compliance review and approve the request for quotes. Councilman Serra seconds the motion to amend. Councilman Serra states the intent is to vote yes on this and to check RFQ's are proper and if that is the case it moves forward. Councilman Daley states it is his understanding and asks for confirmation, the intent is approve going forward with the lease tonight with the understanding that the quotes would be submitted back to the Economic Development Committee and Contract Compliance Board to ensure they are in compliance with City purchasing procedures and contract requirements. The Chair asks if they would come back to the full Council; Councilman Daley responds no. It is to ensure those boards get to review them. There were some questions about the quotes that were provided and we didn't want to hold up this and perhaps jeopardize ID Mail going forward with that major new contract they have an opportunity to get. The Chair calls for the vote and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. The Chair states the amendment passes unanimously with eleven affirmative votes.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

#### Motion to Recess

The Chair states he has just been informed by the video techs that they need time to switch tape and requested a five minute recess. He asks everyone to stay in the room as it will be a very short period. Councilman Serra so moves and is seconded by Councilwoman Kasper. The vote is unanimous. The Chair declares a recess at 9:07 p.m.

#### **Meeting Reconvenes**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 9:14 p.m.

F. Authorizing Mayor Daniel T. Drew to sign the agreement entitled "Agreement Between the State of Connecticut and the City of Middletown for the Development of Contract Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Wesleyan Hills/Wesleyan University Multi-use Trail Utilizing Federal Funds Under the Transportation Alternatives Component of the Surface Transportation Program.

Resolution No. 19-15
File Name pcdWesleyanHills\_WesleyanTrail\_Feb2015

#### (Approved)

WHEREAS, the City of Middletown and the Connecticut Department of Transportation are entering into an agreement regarding the development of contract plans, specifications and estimates for the Wesleyan Hills / Wesleyan University Multi-use trail utilizing Federal Funds under the Transportation Alternatives component of the Surface Transportation Program;

**WHEREAS**, DOT has requested an authorizing resolution from the Common Council for such an agreement;

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: The Mayor, Daniel T. Drew is hereby authorized to sign the agreement entitled "Agreement Between the State of Connecticut and the City of Middletown for the Development of Contract Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Wesleyan Hills / Wesleyan University Multi-use Trail Utilizing Federal Funds Under the Transportation Alternatives Component of the Surface Transportation Program".

**FINANCIAL IMPACT** – The impact of signing this agreement to receive \$202,400 in Federal Transportation Alternative funds is \$50,600 of "non-federal funds".

Councilman Gerald E. Daley reads and moves for approval Authorizing Mayor Daniel T. Drew to sign the agreement entitled "Agreement Between the State of Connecticut and the City of Middletown for the Development of Contract Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Wesleyan Hills/Wesleyan University Multi-use Trail Utilizing Federal Funds Under the Transportation Alternatives Component of the Surface Transportation Program. Councilman Thomas J. Serra seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

G. Approving a bid waiver in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances for the Keigwin Fire Alarm Project to have Integrated Systems do the corrective work for an estimated price of \$222,342.

#### Resolution No. 20-15

### File Name bdresoltuionbidwaiverforKeigwinFireAlarm

Whereas, the City of Middletown and the Middletown Board of Education needs to install a new Fire Alarm System at Keigwin Middle School located at 99 Spruce Street, Middletown, CT. The fire alarm system needs to be installed due to the system being in violation of Fire Code. The Middletown Fire Department issued the Board of Education the violation and has stated that this installation must occur immediately.

**Whereas,** these operational and mechanical issues associated with the Keigwin Fire Alarm include but are not limited to numerous and repeated issues with the fire alarm City Box and notification of same. This is a safety issue at this Campus and must be corrected.

Whereas, the Keigwin Fire Alarm project was discussed and approved by 3-0 vote by the Standardization Committee

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown: That a bid waiver be approved in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances for the Keigwin Fire Alarm Project. Integrated Systems quote for \$222,342.00 has been approved and is in the process of being awarded.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

All funds will be expended for the Keigwin Fire Alarm Project. A CDBG Grant was utilized in the amount of \$165,000 to be utilized for installation. The City of Middletown and the Board of Education will be reimbursed at 66.79% from the State. The overage in the amount of \$64,932 will need to be funded from the bond

Councilman Thomas J. Serra reads and moves for approval a bid waiver in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances for the Keigwin Fire Alarm Project to have Integrated Systems do the corrective work for an estimated price of \$222,342. Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes e and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

H. Approving the Educational Incentive Challenge Grant allocation changes to include the Rushford Center, Rams in Action and Cougar in Action program in the amount \$500; Total Man, Inc. for the Teens of Total Man, Inc. program in the amount of \$500; and YMCA, Kid's Korner Before and After School Programs in the amount of \$500.

Resolution No. 21-15
File Name yseducationalincentiveaward14-15(1)
(Approved)

**WHEREAS**, a powerful and growing body of evidence demonstrates that programs outside the school day keep youth out of trouble and improve their prospects for the future; and

WHEREAS, studies find that programs outside the school day improve graduation rates and academic achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, many extended day programs across the country are facing funding shortfalls so severe that they are being forced to close their doors and turn off their lights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council recognized the significant need for extended day programming in Middletown by approving the inclusion of the Educational Incentive Challenge Grant initiative in the adopted budget for fiscal year 2014-15; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council approved the Challenge Grant guidelines authorizing the Youth Services Advisory Board to release a Request for Proposals and make recommendations for program funding on August 7, 2006.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That the following appropriations are hereby approved:

ORGANIZATION	Project	AMOUNT
Rushford Center	Rams in Action and Cougars in Action	\$500
Total Man, Inc.	Teens of Total Man, Inc.	\$500
YMCA	Kid's Korner – Before and After School Programs	\$500
TOTAL APPROPRIATION		\$1,500

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the citizens of Middletown are urged to ensure that every child has access to a safe, engaging place where students extend their learning day through enrichment and academic activities by supporting programming outside the school day.

FINANCIAL IMPACT - There will be no impact on the General Fund as part of this resolution. The \$1,500 is part of the original Educational Incentive Challenge Grant allocation of \$49,500 passed back in October of 2014 and does not represent new dollars. The funding is a reallocation of money initially awarded to another community program who decided not to move forward in the process after being notified of the award and the City¹s reimbursement process. In turn, the Youth Services Bureau Advisory Board created a mini-grant process available to the remaining 2014 Education Incentive Grant awardees that resulted in the awarding of \$500 to three programs.

Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. reads and moves for approval the Educational Incentive Challenge Grant allocation changes to include the Rushford Center, Rams in Action and Cougar in Action program in the amount \$500; Total Man, Inc. for the Teens of Total Man, Inc. program in the amount of \$500; and YMCA, Kid's Korner Before and After School Programs in the amount of \$500. Councilman Thomas J. Serra seconds the motion.

Councilman Giuliano this is not new money but reprogrammed funds so it doesn't affect anything

The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

I. Approving a Water Department CNR transfer from line item 5010-60000-79501-0000-2015, Well Development in the amount of \$92.32 into line item 5010-60000-79501-0000-00000-2014, Well Development.

Resolution No. 22-15
File Name wswatertransferCNR2015

(Approved)

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown:

That, the WPCA recommends to the Common Council that a transfer of \$92.32 be made into the Water CNR account 5010-60000-79501-0000-2014-000 (Well Redevelopment) from 5010-60000-79501-0000-00000-2015-000 (Well Redevelopment).

**Purpose:** This action merely returns some of the funds that were originally transferred out of the 2014 account into 2015 account to satisfy the negative balance in the 2014 account.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact, this is a transfer only.

Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper reads and moves for approval a Water Department CNR transfer from line item 5010-60000-79501-0000-2015, Well Development in the amount of \$92.32 into line item 5010-60000-79501-0000-00000-2014, Well Development. Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

J. Approving the City's application for a Regional Performance Incentive Program grant for the Information Technology Department which will fund the cost of Middletown's connection to the Nutmeg Network for access to high speed network and authorizing the Mayor to sign all agreements with the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management for the grant.

This item was removed from the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

K. Authorizing Mayor Daniel T. Drew to execute and deliver contracts to the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development which would extend the Historic Preservation grant for the Eckersley-Hall Building project.

Resolution No. 23-15

File Name RCresforHistoricGrantEckersley2015 (Approved)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That Daniel T. Drew who is the Mayor of the City of Middletown is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the City a certain contract with the State for Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development and to affix the City seal, if any.

Fiscal Impact: None. The State is asking for this resolution to extend the contract with the Department of Economic and Community Development and specifically for a Historic Preservation grant for the Eckersley-Hall Building Project.

Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. reads and moves for approval Authorizing Mayor Daniel T. Drew to execute and deliver contracts to the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development which would extend the Historic Preservation grant for the Eckersley-Hall Building project. Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

L. Approving waiving the competitive bidding requirement in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Coe of Ordinances to have Powers Generator to perform the necessary maintenance on the Middletown High School generator for a cost not to exceed \$11,000.

Resolution No. 24-15

File Name embidwaiverPowersGenerator\$11000

(Approved)

**Whereas,** Powers Generator has multiple maintenance contracts for generators at Middletown High School, the Municipal Building and City Yard; and

**Whereas**, during routine maintenance, Powers Generator identified that the generator at the High School is wet-stacking causing a carbon and fuel build-up in the exhaust and engine due to the generator being used under at least 75 percent load; and

**Whereas**, Powers Generator recommended bringing in an auxiliary load to run the generator under at least 75 percent load for four hours at a cost of approximately \$11,000; and

**Whereas**, the company is already familiar with the maintenance history, has been very responsive to the City's concerns and provided excellent service; and

**Whereas**, the funding was appropriated at the January Common Council meeting to conduct the preventative maintenance on the generator at the High School; and

Whereas, the Emergency Management Director has recommended standardizing with one vendor to ensure coordination of generator maintenance for all City buildings and will be working with department heads to accomplish this goal; and

Whereas, the Standardization Committee met on January 23, 2015, and after discussion on maintenance concerns at each location, voted in favor of standardizing with Powers Generator for the maintenance of the generators located at Middletown High School, the Municipal Building and City Yard, with the understanding that other departments will move to Powers Generator at the expiration of their existing maintenance agreements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That a bid waiver, in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Code of Ordinances, be approved to have Powers Generator perform the necessary maintenance on the High School generator; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**: That, in the future, any additional parts and labor excluded from the Powers Generator maintenance agreements be charged according to service rates predetermined and agreed upon by both parties in executed contracts.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Funds for this service were appropriated at the January 2015 Council Meeting

Councilman Robert P. Santangelo reads and moves for approval waiving the competitive bidding requirement in accordance with Section 78-8 of the Middletown Coe of Ordinances to have Powers Generator to perform the necessary maintenance on the Middletown High School generator for a cost not to exceed \$11,000. Councilman Thomas J. Serra seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

M. Approving a building permit refund to Trinity Solar for 148 Evergreen Circle in the amount of \$386.02.

Resolution No. 25-15

File Name pwbldprmtrfnd148EvergreenCircle

(Approved)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:

That a Building Permit Refund be issued to Trinity Solar, for a property located at 148 Evergreen Circle, Middletown, CT in the amount of \$386.02 due to cancellation of work.

Councilman Carl R. Chisem reads and moves for approval a building permit refund to Trinity Solar for 148 Evergreen Circle in the amount of \$386.02. Councilman James Streeto seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

N. Approving the transfer from 2014 Entitlement Line Item 3217-14000-57030-0000-03668-2012 Small Business Creation and Expansion in the amount of \$25,000 into 2012 Entitlement, Line Item 3217-14000-57030-0000-xxxxx-2012 Young's Printing Job Expansion and authorizing the Mayor to sign and submit any necessary amendments to the U. S. Department of Housing and Community Development.

This item was removed from the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

#### 12. Mayor's Appointments.

(Approved)

Municipal Agent for the Elderly:

Reappointment of Laura Runte to February 28, 2019.

#### **Redevelopment Agency:**

Appointment of Richard Pelletier to January 31, 2017.

Appointment of David Bauer to January 31, 2017.

Appointment of Robert Santangelo to January 31, 2017.

Appointment of Jim Lesser to January 31, 2018.

Appointment of Philip Pessina to January 31, 2018.

Appointment of Joseph Tine to January 31, 2018.

Appointment of Peg Busari to January 31, 2019.

Appointment of Gerald Daley to January 31, 2019. Appointment of Frances Ganguli to January 31, 2019

Appointment of Franca Biales to January 31, 2020.

Appointment of Rob Blanchard to January 31, 2020.

Appointment of Mike DiPiro to January 31, 2020.

Appointment of Matthew Scarrozzo to January 31, 2020.

#### **INFORMATION ONLY:**

#### **Middletown Housing Authority:**

Reappointment of Sebastian Santacroce to March 15, 2020.

The Mayor reads the appointments and asks for a motion to approve.

Councilman Thomas J. Serra reads and moves for approval Mayor's Appointments. Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 0 nay votes and 1 absent by Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 1 absent.

#### 13. Contingency Fund Transfers (None)

#### 14. Meeting adjourned.

Councilman Serra moves to adjourn and is seconded by Councilwoman Kasper. The vote is called and it is unanimous to approve with eleven aye votes. Councilman Bauer is absent. The Chair declares the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

MARIE O. NORWOOD COMMON COUNCIL CLERK